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**Office Action Summary**

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Applicant(s)

SRINIVAS ET AL.

Examiner

Bharat N Barot

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**Status**

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 13 August 2004.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

**Disposition of Claims**

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-14 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-14 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

**Application Papers**

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

**Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119**

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some \* c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- \* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

**Attachment(s)**

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)  | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)<br>Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____ |
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**RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

1. Claims 1-14 remain for further examination.

**The new grounds of rejection**

2. Applicants' arguments with respect to claims 1-14 filed on August 13, 2004 have been fully considered but they are deemed to be moot in view of the new grounds of rejection.

**Specification**

3. The title of the invention is not descriptive. A new title is required that is clearly indicative of the invention to which the claims are directed.

**Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102**

4. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless --

(e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of section 371(c) of this title before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent.

The changes made to 35 U.S.C. 102(e) by the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA) do not apply to the examination of this application as the application being examined was not (1) filed on or after November 29, 2000, or (2) voluntarily published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b). Therefore, this application is examined under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) prior to the amendment by the AIPA (pre-AIPA 35 U.S.C. 102(e)).

5. Claims 1-14 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Klassen et al (U.S. Patent No. 6,711,137). Klassen's patent meets all the limitations for claims 1-14 recited in the claimed invention.

6. As to claim 1, Klassen et al teach a computer-implemented method for automatically tuning a size of a TCP receive window (see abstract; column 7 lines 49-55; and column 8 lines 33-37) comprising: determining a bandwidth of a network connection (figure 1; and column 7 line 66 to column 8 line 2); and automatically tuning the size of the TCP receive window based on the determined bandwidth (figure 1; column 8 lines 7-19; column 13 lines 21-44; and column 19 lines 11-48).

7. As to claim 2, Klassen et al teach the steps of: obtaining at least one attribute of a network connection device; and determining the bandwidth of the network connection from the at least one obtained attribute (column 9 lines 47-59; and column 11 lines 22-64).

8. As to claim 3, Klassen et al teach the steps of: determining the size of the TCP receive window based on the determined bandwidth; and setting the size of the TCP receive window to the determined size bandwidth (column 3 lines 39-49; column 13 lines 21-44; and column 19 lines 11-48).

9. As to claim 4, Klassen et al teach a step of: accessing the size of the TCP receive window from a look-up table (database/storage) (column 6 lines 29-40; and column 8 line 60 to column 9 line 10).

10. As to claim 5, Klassen et al teach a step of: determining a speed of the network connection device or a name of the network connection device (column 7 lines 56-65; and column 8 line 60 to column 9 line 10).

11. As to claim 6, Klassen et al teach the steps of: monitoring the network connection to determine if the network connection has changed; and tuning the size of the TCP receive window if the network connection has changed (column 8 line 60 to column 9 line 10; column 13 lines 21-44; and column 15 lines 23-36).

12. As to claims 7-10, they are also rejected for the same reasons set forth to rejecting claims 1-4 and 6 above, since claims 7-10 are merely a computer readable medium having instructions for controlling the method of operations defined in the claims 1-4 and 6.

13. As to claims 11-14, they are also rejected for the same reasons set forth to rejecting claims 1-2 and 5-6 above, since claim 11-14 are merely an apparatus to performing the method of operations defined in the claims 1-2 and 5-6.

**Response to Arguments**

14. Applicant's arguments have been fully considered. The examiner has attempted to answer the remarks in the body of the Office action.

**Additional References**

15. The examiner as of general interest cites the following references.

- a. Lindsay, U.S. Patent No. 6,788,704.
- b. Dillon et al, U.S. Patent No. 6,473,793.

**Contact Information**

16. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Bharat Barot whose telephone number is (571) 272-3979. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 9:30 AM to 6:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Alam, Hosain, can be reached at (571) 272-3978.

Any inquiry of general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 305-3900.

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November 29, 2004

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